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SUBJECT: NATIONAL FRONT BEGINS WORK OF FORMING COALITION  
GOVERNMENT

SUMMARY: DURING PAST 24 HOURS NATIONAL FRONT PARTIES REPORTED PROGRESS IN THEIR NEGOTIATIONS TO FORM A GOVERNMENT. DP CHAIRMAN RELEASED STATEMENT REITERATING HIS READINESS TO FORM A GOVERNMENT IF THE NATIONAL FRONT SHOULD FAIL, AND RPP CHAIRMAN MADE A SPEECH ATTACKING NATIONAL FRONT AND CALLING FOR NEW ELECTIONS. END SUMMARY

1. AFTER A THREE-HOUR MEETING MARCH 20 WITH THE LEADERS OF THE THREE OTHER PARTIES PARTICIPATING IN THE ATTEMPT TO FORM A NATIONAL FRONT GOVERNMENT, JUSTICE PARTY CHAIRMAN DEMIREL ANNOUNCED THEY HAD REACHED AGREEMENT ON THE BASIC POINTS OF THE COALITION PROTOCOL AND THAT A COMMITTEE WAS BEING APPOINTED TO WORK OUT THE DETAILS. DEMIREL PROMISED THAT THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROTOCOL WOULD BE ANNOUNCED WITHIN A FEW DAYS. ASKED IF HE BELIEVED NATIONAL UNCLASSIFIED

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FRONT WOULD AND THAT THEY WOULD NOT RPT NOT HAVE ACCEPTED THE DUTY

TO FORM A GOVERNMENT IF THEY HAD NOT RPT NOT BELIEVED SO. DEMIREL ALSO SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT THAT WOULD BE FORMED BY THE NATIONAL FRONT WAS THE ONLY REMAINING DEMOCRATIC SOLUTION TO THE GOVERNMENT CRISIS, AND FOR THAT REASON HE BELIEVED NO NATIONALIST NOR ANY OTHER PERSON WHO WISHED TO SEE THE CRISIS RESOLVED WOULD OPPOSE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL FRONT GOVERNMENT.

2. DP CHAIRMAN BOZBEYLI ISSUED STATEMENT IN WHICH HE CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN A PUBLIC POSITION OF CONFIDENCE THAT NONE OF THE 41 DP DEPUTIES WILL BREAK RANKS, AND THAT IF, AS HE EXPECTS, THE NATIONAL FRONT FAILS TO FORM A GOVERNMENT, HE WILL BE GIVEN THE TASK OF PUTTING TOGETHER A DP-TECHNOCRAT GOVERNMENT WHICH THE RPP WOULD SUPPORT FROM OUTSIDE.

3. RPP CHAIRMAN ECEVIT BEFORE FLYING TO LONDON MARCH 20 FOR A FIVE-DAY VISIT SPOKE AT A POLITICAL RALLY IN KARTAL WHERE THE RPP HAD WON A SPECIAL MAYORAL ELECTION MARCH 15 (ISTANBUL 838). ECEVIT REDICULED THE NATIONAL FRONT'S ATTEMPT TO FORM A "PATCHED-UP MINORITY GOVERNMENT." HE SAID NOWHERE IN THE WORLD HAS THERE BEEN A "MINORITY GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHED BY FOUR PARTIES," AND HE REPEATED HIS CALL FOR NEW ELECTIONS.

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